

IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

_____ day _____, 2013

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING
TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION FOR
A RENEWABLE ENERGY PLANNING AND CONSERVATION GRANT TO FUND
THE STREAMLINING OF RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT IN SELECTED
AREAS OF THE COUNTY.**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, the County of San Luis Obispo has adopted land use principles, strategies, and implementation measures in the County General Plan for achieving more energy-efficient and sustainable communities, including policies that streamline consideration of renewable energy development such as solar and wind power; and

WHEREAS, the California Energy Commission has released a grant opportunity for which the County is one of only fifteen California counties eligible to apply for these grant funds that are to be used to streamline approval of renewable energy projects in selected mapped areas of the county; and

WHEREAS, streamlining of renewable energy development requires extensive modification to the County's land use regulations and general plan policies and a broad-based environmental analysis and environmental document that can be utilized by future renewable energy development; and

WHEREAS, the activities to be funded by the grant are included in all four of the Department of Planning and Building's focus areas recognized by the Board of Supervisors: 1) process improvements, 2) infrastructure, 3) energy and 4) economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Building has prepared a grant application in the amount of \$638,152.14 to cover staff and consultant costs for the primary grant tasks: 1) resource, infrastructure and constraints mapping, 2) stakeholder outreach, 3) policy and ordinance revisions and streamlining regulations, 4) preparation of an Environmental Impact Report, and 5) public hearings.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, as follows:

1. That the County of San Luis Obispo authorizes the Director of the Planning and Building Department ("applicant") to submit an application to the California Energy Commission for an amount not to exceed \$638,152.14 for a Renewable Energy Planning and Conservation Grant.
2. That the County and its Board understand the assurances and certification in the grant application.
3. That the County will have sufficient funds to develop the Renewable Energy Planning and Conservation Grant program or will secure the resources to do so.
4. That the proposal will comply with any applicable laws and regulations.
5. That the Director of the Department of Planning and Building, or designee, is appointed as agent to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to applications, agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary for the completion of the Renewable Energy Planning and Conservation Grant program.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

the foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors,

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

RITA L. NEAL
County Counsel

By: _____
Assistant County Counsel

Dated: April 10, 2013